

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claim 5 has been canceled, the claims active in this application are Claims 1-4 and 6-14. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication that Claims 4-6, 10 and 14 would be allowable if placed into independent form and the formality rejections are overcome.

In view of the Examiner's statements and in view of each reason for indefiniteness, the applicant has placed original Claim 5 into independent form as amended Claim 1. It is believed that this claim is now in condition for allowance.

Regarding the term "partially polymerized", this term means that it is not fully polymerized and may still be capable to polymerize and is a very common term used in the art. Even a simple Google Search for "partially polymerized" provided 872 hits including issued patents and patent applications in this and other countries which use the term.

Regarding the term "easily polymerizable substance", this term means that the substance will spontaneously polymerize in the environment. It is again a well-known and widely used term in the art as indicated by the fact that a Google Search made 91,000 hits including many issued patents and patent applications in this and other countries.

Regarding the term "relatively lower stickiness", the Applicant has clarified the term to "reduced stickiness as compared with the stickiness of the initial sticky substance or of the waste liquid containing the sticky substance".

Other reasons for indefiniteness which constitutes basis of the examiner's rejection of relevant Claims have been overcome by all amendments made as current Claims stated in the preceding amendment section.

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The claim identifiers for claim 2-4 and 6-14 of the Amendment filed on December 20, 2007 have been changed to Currently Amended.

In view of the above, it is submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the rejections is requested. Allowance of Claims 1-4 and Claims 6-14 is respectfully solicited.

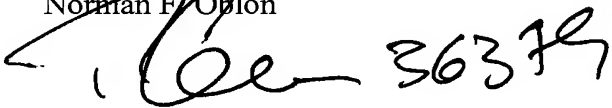
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